

I am a subscriber of an independent ISP and the BellSouth petition is step one in an attempt to squash my right of choice. I live in an area with a large Telecom/ISP company and can assure you its service is subpar and lacking in all innovation. Unfortunately, this scenario is not unique to my region; larger IPS's are notoriously uncooperative. It is the smaller, more nimble companies which foster competition and enable me to refuse accepting sub-par service for a commodity which is no longer optional. Indeed, does anyone think it unlikely that the large Telecom/ISP providers would not be thrilled to eliminate innovative and superior private ISP's? How about you refuse to aid their cause and let them, instead, improve their service if they want to keep market share. I'm pretty sure their own Business Planning, and not your actions, should earn their profits. Thank you for listening to a customer.